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SUBJECT: PROJECTED MEETING BETWEEN KREISKY AND SLOVENE MINORITY LEADERS

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1. SLOVENE MINORITY LEADERS HAVE ACCEPTED CHANCELLOR KREISKY'S MARCH 4 INVITATION TO MEET WITH HIM MARCH 12 TO DISCUSS MINORITY PROBLEMS. ATTENDING MEETING WILL BE REPS OF TWO SLOVENE UMBRELLA ORGANIZATIONS AS WELL AS DR. APOVNIK WHO HEADED SLOVENE UNITY LIST TICKET IN MARCH 2 ELECTIONS AND WHO WAS EXPELLED FROM SOCIALIST PARTY. IN ACCEPTING KREISKY INVITATION, SLOVENE MINORITY LEADERS, IN RESPONSE TO PRESS QUERIES, REGISTERED THEIR CONTINUING OPPOSITION TO ANY "SPECIAL MINORITY CENSUS" AND NOTED THEIR INABILITY TO IMAGINE "SPECIAL CENSUS" IN ANY FORM WHICH WOULD BE ACCEPTABLE TO MINORITY.

2. COMMENT: DECISION BY SLOVENE LEADERS TO MEET WITH KREISKY IS FOR OPTICAL REASONS LOGICAL MOVE IN VIEW OF FAILURE OF SLOVENE UNITY LIST TO WIN SEAT IN MARCH 2 ELECTIONS AND OF IMPATIENCE REGISTERED BY LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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KREISKY LAST WEEK OVER BOYCOTT BY SLOVENE LEADERS OF

HIS REPEATED INVITATIONS FOR TALKS. PROSPECTS FOR ANY FORWARD MOVEMENT ON CONTROVERSY AT PROJECTED MEETING IS HOWEVER MINIMAL IN VIEW OF REITERATED SLOVENE MINORITY ADAMACY ON "SPECIAL CENSUS" ISSUE. MOWINCKEL

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